

**LASSEN SUPERIOR COURT
DEPARTMENT ONE
TENTATIVE RULINGS**

October 20, 2010

Hon. F. Donald Sokol, Presiding

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(NOTE TO COUNSEL AND PARTIES: The court provides tentative rulings on law and motion matters only for information to the parties in preparation for the hearing. The court does NOT issue tentative rulings pursuant to California Rule of Court 3.1308, and the procedure set out in that Rule does not apply.)

[Record Disclosures by Judge Sokol: Ms. Donna Talley is a court Guardianship/Conservatorship Investigator. Ms. Nina Dupont-Stone, M.A. is a court Mediator. Ms. Diane Tetreault, M.A. is a court Mediator. Mr. Jon Nakanishi is the court Family Law Facilitator.]

8:00 CALENDAR

#23538

Weems, Heather v. Rutledge, John

Order to Show Cause re Modification of Custody

The parties will be referred to Child Custody Recommending Counseling to determine whether an agreement can be reached on custody and visitation issues, to return to court at 4:00 p.m. If no agreement is reached the court will either accept the Child Custody Recommending Counselor's recommendation or set the matter for an evidentiary hearing.

The issue of child support will be deferred to Department 7 after custody and visitation issues are settled.

#DV51158

Jones, Erin v. Maxfeldt, Jason

Order to Show Cause re Custody, Visitation and Temporary Restraining Order

The parties will be referred to Family Court Services to determine whether an agreement can be reached on the domestic violence issues only, to return to court at 4:00 p.m. If no agreement is reached the court will set the matter for hearing on the domestic violence issues only.

Upon resolution of the domestic violence issues the parties will be referred to Family Court Services and the Child Custody Recommending Counselor on the custody and visitation issues.

#DV51170

Boon, Christina v. Patton, Frank

Order to Show Cause re Custody, Visitation and Temporary Restraining Order

#FL51171

Patton, Frank v. Boon, Christina

Order to Show Cause re Temporary Restraining Order

These two cases will be consolidated into the DV51170 case and the parties will be referred to Family Court Services to determine whether an agreement can be reached on the domestic violence issues only, to return to court at 4:00 p.m. If no agreement is reached the court will set a date for hearing on the domestic violence issues only.

Upon resolution of the domestic violence issues the parties will be referred back to Family Court Services for child custody recommending counseling.

#FS51037

Barnes, Caitlin v. Stokesberry, Jacob

Order to Show Cause re Custody, Support, Visitation and Temporary Orders

At the time of review no proof of service had been filed of the Order to Show Cause. If no proof of service is filed by the hearing date the matter will be taken off calendar unless Respondent appears and waives the service defect in which case the parties will be referred to Child Custody Recommending Counseling to determine whether an agreement can be reached on custody and visitation issues, to return to court at 4:00 p.m. If no agreement is reached the court will either accept the recommendation of mediation or set the matter for an evidentiary hearing.

After resolution of the custody and visitation issues the parties will be ordered to file Income and Expense Declarations and will be referred to the Family Law Facilitator for calculation of guideline child support.

1:30 CALENDAR

#50763

Jones, Wendi v. Walmart Stores, Inc.

Application of Mark Krause to Appear as Counsel Pro Hac Vice

The application to appear in this matter pro hac vice has been filed in accordance with Rule of Court 9.40. No objection to the application has been made and the court will grant the application for Mark F. Krause to appear Pro Hac Vice as counsel for Blue Rhino Global Sourcing LLC in association with the law offices of Gerald Desmond.

#P7748

Guardianship of Dowse, Nicole

Final Review

The final report of Guardians Bruce Rogers and Beverly Lopez is in order and will be approved. The Guardianship automatically terminated on the 18th birthday of Nicole Dowse, October 16, 2010.